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emphasizing their points of distinction and giving the most important rules and practices together with the statutory provisions governing their use throughout the several states of the Union.

The author seems to have spared no effort in accumulating the vast amount of material necessary to write an original work of this kind, and has made it a complete manual of all the common and statutory law on the subject.

Considering that it is also a pioneer work in this particular field, it deserves much consideration and it will no doubt prove, as the author himself has it, "a guide in practice where many go astray."

G. F. B.

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LEADING CASES IN THE BIBLE. By DAVID WERNER AMRAM, M.A., LL.B., (of the Philadelphia Bar). One volume, pp. 215. Philadelphia: Julius H. Greenstone, 1905.

This is an extremely interesting and unique little book. It takes up certain well-known incidents of Old Testament history and discusses them from the juridic point of view.

These so-called leading cases, show the growth and development of the Hebrew law and the effect of the religious nature of that people upon its system of jurisprudence. They give also an idea of ancient modes of procedure, the formalities attendant upon the sale of land, and all that other legal machinery which is interesting as an expression of a particular nation's idea of justice, and its means of securing it.

The perusal of this book suggests many comparisons between the Hebraic law and our own. These similarities are all the more interesting in view of the influence of the Bible on our customs and laws.

J. H. D.

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#### NOTES ON RECENT LEADING ARTICLES IN LEGAL PERIODICALS.

HARVARD LAW REVIEW.—February.

*Equitable Conversion.* VI. C. C. Langdell. This is the sixth instalment of these very valuable papers. To the student of this doctrine the series will form a very profound and fruitful contribution to the knowledge of the subject.

*The Creation of the Relation of Carrier of Passengers.* Joseph H. Beale, Jr. Some few of us are carriers, but all of us are at some time